IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : Locking Device for a Vehicle Door

Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No additional claims fees are necessary.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.